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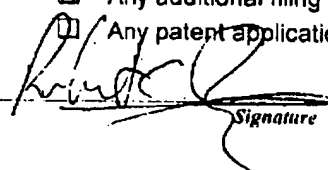
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Applicant(s): Hinderks et al.					
Serial No. 09/729,040	Filing Date 12/4/00	Examiner Hsu	Group Art Unit 2661		
Invention: Method and Apparatus for Dynamic Allocation of Transmission Bandwidth and for Transmission of Multiple Audio Signals with Video Signal					
<u>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Examiner:

Preliminary to examination of this case, please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, lines 4, please delete the term "Provisional."

On page 1, line 6, after the word "from," please insert -- the applicants' prior utility application serial number 09/347,103, filed July 2, 1999, which is a continuation of, and claims priority from, serial number 08/698, 956, filed August 16, 1996, which claims priority through the applicants' --

## IN THE CLAIMS:

~~Please~~ cancel claims 1-25 without prejudice:

~~Please~~ add the following claims 26-61:

26. A method of multiplexing a digital video channel in synchronization with a plurality of channels of digital audio, the method comprising the steps of: